



Open Space Task Force

Task Force Charge

The Open Space Task Force shall be charged with advising the Town on the acquisition and improvement of parcels that enhance Andover's open space inventory and network. In particular, the task force shall:

- Identify actions to improve parcels already owned by the Town and its various custodians;
- Identify and prioritize parcels for potential acquisition and make recommendations to the Town Manager and Select Board, as well as the Conservation Commission, as appropriate;
- Review and evaluate parcels for potential acquisition at the request of the Town Manager and/or Select Board; and
- Assist with the valuation of parcels for potential acquisition.
- Provide assistance on seeking sources of funding; including from municipal appropriations, grants, donations or other forms of contributions that may offset acquisition and/or improvement costs.

The task force will be composed of the following seven members, as well as a non-voting liaison from the Select Board: (1) a representative of the Conservation Commission, (2) a representative of AVIS, (3) a representative of the Finance Committee, (4) a staff member designated by the Town Manager, and (5) three residents serving at-large appointed by the Town Manager pursuant to Article III § 2(b)(2) of the General Bylaws.

The task force shall elect a chair and vice chair from among its members.